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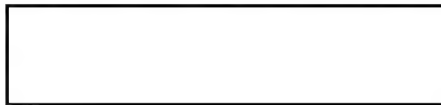
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Survival Kit

1. Meeting to discuss Survival Kit was held in conference room at 0930 hours 16 July 1962 with following individuals present:



2. Progress status. [redacted] reported the achievements to date relative to the survival program.

a. The components for the kit to be used in zone of interior during May - October have been selected, procured, and tested. This particular kit configuration is designated "ZI-B-I".

b. The components for "ZIB-1 Kit" are being prepared for shipment to the area.

c. The components for the kit to be used in zone of interior during November - April are yet to be selected, procured, and tested. This particular kit configuration to be designated "ZIB-2".

d. The testing mentioned above (para 2.a) was conducted in conjunction with training of first two OXCART pilots.

e. Training of first two OXCART pilots was conducted in accordance with procedures applicable to evasion tactics. Attention is invited to OXC 3553.

f. Rescue and survival technicians assigned to [redacted] were not involved in above training.

3. Individual Personnel Retrieval by "Sky Hooks".

A method whereby individuals may be retrieved from remote areas by a device of relatively simple proportions was mentioned by [redacted]. Question raised: Should we program training in this device for OXCART pilots?

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4. Bailout and ground contact training.

Question: Who will be responsible for the curriculum and who will conduct training of pilots in bailout and ground contact?

5. Kit Packing.

[ ] stated that the primary concern in placing the components within the container was maintaining a forward center of gravity for proper body position during bailout. [ ] is responsible for assuring necessary coordination with area personnel on proper kit packing.

6. Meeting adjourned at 1130 hours.

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